Dear California Voter,

There is no greater right than the right to vote—to participate in the electoral process, to elect responsible leaders, and to make your voice heard. As the general election nears, I urge you to exercise this fundamental right on Tuesday, November 7th.

In this Voter Information Guide, you will find information to assist you in making informed choices on Election Day. Impartial analyses, arguments in favor and against thirteen measures, statements from candidates, and other useful information is presented here as your one-stop educational point of reference. These materials are also available on the Secretary of State's website at www.ss.ca.gov. The website also provides a link to campaign finance disclosure information (http://cal-access.ss.ca.gov) so you can learn who is funding each of the campaigns.

To prepare for Election Day, please carefully review the material in this Voter Information Guide. As a registered voter, you have the opportunity to further strengthen the foundation of our democracy by exercising your right to vote.

Please let my office or your local elections official know if you have questions, ideas, or concerns about registering to vote or voting. To contact the office of the Secretary of State, call our toll-free number—1-800-345-VOTE or visit our website at www.ss.ca.gov to find contact information for your local elections official.

Thank you for being part of California's future by casting your vote in the November 7th General Election.